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HOUSE MEMORIAL 30

49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2009

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A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING AND HONORING BERNALILLO COUNTY BY DESIGNATING
FEBRUARY 11, 2009 "BERNALILLO COUNTY DAY" AT THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, Bernalillo county is located in central New
Mexico and stretches from the east mountain area of the Sandia
mountains to the volcanic cliffs of the west mesa, and it
encompasses nearly twelve hundred square miles and is home to
over five hundred fifty-six thousand six hundred seventy-eight
residents; and

WHEREAS, Bernalillo county has a rich history and culture
and was formally established in 1851 when the territorial
legislature moved from the town of Bernalillo to Ranchos de
Albuquerque and required the district court to be held there;
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1 WHEREAS, the five-member Bernalillo county commission
2 passes ordinances and resolutions, approves budgets,
3 establishes zoning and business regulations and appoints the
4 county manager, who oversees the operations of twenty-five
5 departments with a total of two thousand five hundred
6 employees; and

7 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county is home to more than twenty
8 cities, towns and places of interest, ranging from Albuquerque,
9 the largest city in the state, to Chililli, which is located in
10 the Manzano mountains and is one of the oldest settlements in
11 the state, dating back to 1581; and

12 WHEREAS, Bernalillo county hosts many businesses,
13 attractions and events, including Sandia national laboratories,
14 Kirtland air force base, the Albuquerque international balloon
15 fiesta, the Rio Grande nature center, Petroglyph national
16 monument and the New Mexico state fair; and

17 WHEREAS, in addition to the university of New Mexico,
18 other significant institutions of higher learning are located
19 in Bernalillo county, including central New Mexico community
20 college, the southwestern Indian polytechnic institute,
21 national American university, the university of Saint Francis
22 college of nursing and others; and

23 WHEREAS, the Bernalillo county commission is committed to
24 excellence and provides a wide array of services and programs
25 to meet the critical needs of county residents in the most

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1 efficient and effective manner;

2 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
3 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 11,
4 2009 be designated "Bernalillo County Day" at the house of
5 representatives and that Bernalillo county be appropriately
6 recognized and honored; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
8 transmitted to the members of the Bernalillo county commission.

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